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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Elizabeth O'Donnell Executive Director Public Service Commission P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

Re: PSC Case No. 2004-00423

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Earlier this morning, we received a copy of the Commission's Order rescheduling the hearing in this case for Monday, June 13, 2005. While we appreciate a hearing date, we are mindful that this represents the third time this matter has been scheduled for hearing in the last three months.

As you may recall, EKPC asked for expedited treatment of its Application when it made its initial filing on October 28, 2004, because of contractual commitments to Warren RECC effective April 1, 2008. The Commission accommodated this request by initially scheduling the hearing for February 18, 2005. The June 13 date amounts to a four-month delay in this case. EKPC recognizes that the previous postponements of the hearing were the result of matters beyond the Commission's control, but each and every delay now presents a new challenge to EKPC's ability to complete its chosen power supply alternative on schedule, and virtually assures increasing cost. To that extent and for these reasons, we request that the Commission re-examine its available hearing dates, and advance this matter on its calendar if at all possible.

Sincerely yours,

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President and Chief Executive Officer

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